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Docket No.: 3795/OJ958

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

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Serial No.: 10/018,595

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For: SCALABLE BIOREACTOR CULTURE PROCESS AND SYSTEM FOR THE
MATURATION OF CONIFER SOMATIC EMBRYOS

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Hon. Commissioner of
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Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In order to comply with 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98, attached hereto is a
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In accordance with MPEP Sections 609 and 707.05(b), it is requested

that each document cited (including any cited in applicant's specification which is not repeated on the attached Form PTO-1449) be given thorough consideration and that it be cited of record in the prosecution history of the present application by initialing Form PTO-1449 next to the document. Such initialing is requested even if the Examiner does not consider a cited document to be sufficiently pertinent to use in a rejection, or otherwise does not consider it to be prior art for any reason, or even if the Examiner does not believe that the guidelines for citation have been fully complied with. This is requested so that each document becomes listed on the face of the patent issuing on the present application.

The undersigned is also enclosing herewith a copy of a Search Report issued August 16, 2000 for the PCT counterpart of the present patent application (Application No. PCT/CA00/00532), in which the presently disclosed references were cited. Since a translation of the Search Report is also enclosed, or the Search Report utilizes conventional codes to characterize each cited reference, it is believed that the applicants in the above-identified patent application have now met the "concise explanation" requirement of 37 C.F.R. 1.98.

A concise explanation of the relevance of the foreign language documents as required by 37 CFR 1.98 is attached. On information and belief, this concise explanation is from the point of view of that person identified in 37 CFR 1.56 who is most familiar with the subject matter.

This submission is filed before a first action on the merits has been

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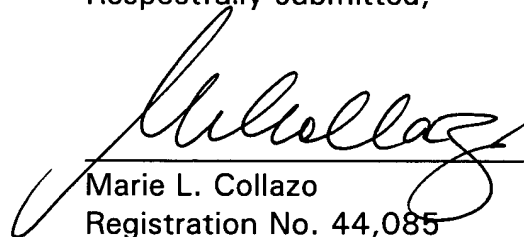
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It is believed that no fee is due. However, if the Commissioner determines that a fee is due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the above deposit account for any deficiency.

Early and favorable consideration is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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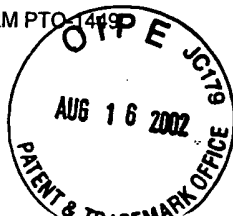
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